

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Tuesday, September 24, 2002, the following members were present:

Gary Feland, Chairman  
Jay Stovall, Vice Chairman  
Bob Anderson, Commissioner  
Matt Brainard, Commissioner

Commissioner Rowe was absent but left written votes with the Commission Secretary.

APPEARANCE

Steve Vick  
Utility Division

(403) In the matter of Qwest Communications, Docket No. N2002.9.107; On August 27, 2002, Qwest filed tariff transmittal 02-23, Business Product Save Offer Promotion. Business customers who request to have one or more products such as Flat business lines, Qwest Business line plus, Business CustomChoice, Hunting Service, Call Forwarding-busy line/Don't answer, and Market Expansion line, and after having been informed of the products benefit, may be offered a 25 percent product discount for the next three months in the form of a credit(s) to their next three bills, if they agree to retain the product(s). The promotional period is scheduled to run from September 23, 2002 through December 21, 2002. Commissioner Stovall moved to approve the promotion. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 4-1. Commissioners Anderson, Feland, Rowe and Stovall voted aye. Commissioner Brainard dissented.

(404) In the matter of Qwest Communications, Docket No. N2002.9.106; On August 30, 2002, Qwest filed tariff transmittal 02-25, Expanded Business CustomChoice. This filing is designed to expand the Business Basic Exchange product line by introducing one, two, and three year rate stabilized terms for CustomChoice for business, and by allowing the purchase of Qwest Utility line in conjunction with rate stabilized Business CustomChoice. In addition, the 3-line restriction has been removed so that customers will not be limited by the number of Business CustomChoice lines they can purchase. Qwest is requesting an October 1, 2002 effective date for this expanded service. Commissioner Stovall moved to approve the tariff filing. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 4-1. Commissioners Anderson, Feland, Rowe and Stovall voted aye. Commissioner Brainard dissented.

APPEARANCE

Wayne Budt, Administrator  
Transportation & Centralized Services Division

(405) In the matter of the approval of Commission Minutes; Commissioner Brainard moved to approve the Commission Minutes for the week of September 16, 2002. Commissioner Stovall seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Rowe voted aye.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

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GARY FELAND, Chairman

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JAY STOVALL, Vice Chairman

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BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

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MATT BRAINARD, Commissioner

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BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Rhonda J. Simmons  
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

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Bob Rowe, Commissioner, via telephone

APPEARANCE

Robin McHugh

(406) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of the lack of jurisdiction over the City of Missoula's charge for sewer access; Commissioner Brainard moved to send a letter to the City of Missoula to inform them that they are not under PSC regulation and are free to make their own decisions, and take responsibility for those actions with their constituents. Commissioner Feland seconded the motion, which failed with a vote of 2-3. Commissioners Brainard and Feland voted aye. Commissioners Anderson, Rowe and Stovall dissented.

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GARY FELAND, Chairman

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JAY STOVALL, Vice Chairman

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BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

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BOB ROWE, Commissioner

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